

Abstract

The present invention provides reagents and methods for the treatment, and pharmaceuticals for use in the prevention and/or treatment, of chronic renal failure and other renal disorders in subjects (particularly mammalian subjects) renal replacement therapy. The methods involve the conjoint administration of ACE (Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme) inhibitors or Angiotensin II Receptor Antagonists (AIIRAs) with one or more OP/BMP family of proteins (morphogens, or inducers of morphogens, or agonists of the corresponding morphogen receptors, etc.). The invention also provides methods for implantation of renal cells induced with the conjoint administration of ACE inhibitors or AIIRAs with those morphogens.